

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

## Bureau of Political-Military Affairs

## 22 CFR Part 126

## [Public Notice 2386]

## Amendment to the List of Proscribed Destinations

AGENCY: Department of State

ACTION: Final rule

**SUMMARY** The Department of State is amending the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) to reflect that it is the policy of the United States to deny licenses, other approvals, exports and imports of defense articles and defense services, destined for or originating in Afghanistan. This amendment formalizes a policy the U S has had in place since 1992 to deny import and export licenses for articles and services originating in or destined for Afghanistan due to the ongoing civil war in that country.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 14, 1996

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of State is amending the ITAR to reflect that it is the policy of the United States, pursuant to § 126 1, to deny licenses, other approvals, exports and imports of defense articles and defense services, destined for or originating in Afghanistan. Requests for licenses or other approvals for Afghanistan involving items covered by the Munitions List (22 CFR part 121) will be reviewed with a presumption of disapproval.

This amendment to the ITAR involves a foreign affairs function of the United States and thus is excluded from the major rule procedure of Executive Order 12291 (46 FR 13193) and the procedures of 5 U.S.C. 553 and 554. This final rule does not contain a new or amended information requirement subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

## List of Subjects in 22 CFR Part 126

## Arms and munitions, Exports

Accordingly, under the authority of Section 38 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778) and Executive Order 11958, as amended, 22 CFR subchapter M is amended as follows:

## PART 126—[AMENDED]

1 The authority citation for part 126 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 2, 38, 40, 42, and 71, Arms Export Control Act. Pub. L. 90-629, 90 Stat. 744 (22 U.S.C. 2752, 2778, 2780, 2791, and 2797), E.O. 11958, 41 FR 4311, E.O. 11322, 32 FR 119, 22 U.S.C. 2658, 22 U.S.C. 287c, E.O. 12918, 59 FR 28206.

## § 126.1 [Amended]

2 Section 126.1 is amended by adding "Afghanistan," immediately prior to "Armenia" in paragraph (a).

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Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs  
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